

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 12, 2011  
PAGE 1 OF 4  
PRE-MEETING 6:30 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

COUNCIL PRESENT: JIM PORTER, DON GILLESPIE, AL ATKINSON, JACK VARLEY,  
JAMES MACHAJEWSKI, POLLY GRIMPE , EDWARD WIRKOWSKI  
ENGINEER PHIL HERMAN  
SOLICITOR MIKE WITHEREL

1. DISCUSSED THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ASKED FOR VOLUNTEERS TO BE ON AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. JIM MACHAJEWSKI WAS THE ONLY INDIVIDUAL WHO SHOWED INTEREST.
2. DISCUSSED OBTAINING NO SOLICITATION STICKERS. THIS WAS APPROVED. 7/0
3. DISCUSSED THE AUCTION THAT WAS HELD AT THE CIVIC ARENA FOR GARBAGE CANS, CIGARETTE CANS, BENCHES AND FLOWER POTS THAT WE BID ON. IT WAS AGREED 7/0 THAT THE BOROUGH WOULD PAY FOR HALF OF THE EXPENSES AND THE MBDC AGREED TO PAY FOR THE OTHER HALF.
4. MANAGER DISCUSSED THAT THE BOROUGH HAD BEEN ACCEPTED IN THE VACANT PROPERTY PROGRAM THRU THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY. THEY HAVE STARTED A NEW SIDE YARD BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM WHICH A PROPERTY OWNER WHO WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN A VACANT PARCEL BESIDE THEM WOULD PAY 10% OF THE APPRAISED VALUE PLUS \$300.00 CLOSING COSTS AND THE COUNTY WOULD HELP THEM ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY. WE HAVE TO ADVERTISE THIS FOR ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS. ADVERTISING ON OUR WEBSITE WAS CONSIDERED TO BE ACCEPTABLE . IT WAS AGREED BY ALL COUNCIL TO ADVERTISE ON THE WEB. 7/0.
5. MANAGER DISCUSSED 459, 461, 463 AND 465 EVERGREEN AVENUE ABANDONED PROPERTIES THAT WERE FALLING INTO THE CREEK. THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WAS CALLED AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THESE PROPERTIES NEEDED TO BE TORN DOWN IMMEDIATELY. THE BOROUGH MANAGER HIRED DALE LUTTERMAN TO TAKE DOWN THE PROPERTIES. COUNCIL AGREED THAT THE CORRECT ACTION WAS TAKEN. 7/0
6. MANAGER DISCUSSED GETTING QUOTES FOR THE NEW DUMP TRUCK. THE LOWEST COST FOR THE 550 WITH EXTENDED WARRANTY IS \$60,058.00. THE MANAGER ASKED IF WHEN SHE RECEIVED THE OTHER QUOTES IF SHE COULD JUST ORDER THE TRUCK. IT WAS AGREED 7/0
7. MANAGER RECEIVED TWO QUOTES ON THE ALARM FOR THE PAVILION. GUARDIAN WAS THE LOW BIDDER; \$300.00 TO INSTALL AND \$34.95 PER MONTH. COUNCIL AGREED 7/0
8. VFW INVITED EVERYONE TO THEIR MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION. IT WAS AGREED 7/0 TO DONATE A WREATH AGAIN THIS YEAR. MAYOR CINSKI WILL TAKE CARE OF IT. TALK TO POLICE ABOUT TRAFFIC CONTROL FOR PARADE. AGREED 7/0
9. BRIAN KLAAS WROTE A LETTER TO COUNCIL ASKING FOR OUR ASSISTANCE CLEARING DEBRIS THAT WAS LEFT ON A PROPERTY HE IS CONSIDERING PURCHASING. AGREED TO HELP WITH THE BIG ITEMS AND DISCUSSED ASKING THE VOLUNTEERS COMING IN FOR THE CLEAN SWEEP TO HELP HIM ON THE PROPERTY.
10. MANAGER DISCUSSED A LETTER FROM ENERGY SAVERS TO HELP SAVE ELECTRICITY COSTS FOR OUR RESIDENTS. IT WAS AGREED TO SEND A LETTER BUT IT IS A VOLUNTARY PROGRAM. COUNCIL JUST TRYING TO HELP OUR RESIDENTS SAVE MONEY.
11. MANAGER DISCUSSED SUBMITTING A GRANT TO TREE VITALIZE TO PUT TREES THROUGHOUT TOWN. AGREED 7/0
12. JIM PORTER BROUGHT UP SOME ISSUES REGARDING STORM WATER AND THOUGHT A COMMITTEE SHOULD BE FORMED. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS TIME
13. ED WIRKOWSKI BROUGHT UP ABOUT SHALER HAVING A LOT OF DEBRIS ON THEIR SIDE OF EVERGREEN AVENUE. HE ASKED IF WE COULD CALL SHALER AND PENNDOT AND TRY TO GET IT CLEANED UP. AGREED 7/0
14. POLLY GRIMPE STATED THAT SHE WAS GOING TO CONTACT PENNDOT IN REGARDS TO STONES LEFT ON EVERGREEN ROAD BY THEM WHEN THEY TARRED AND CHIPPED EVERGREEN.
15. JACK VARLEY ASKING ABOUT PARKING ISSUE AND THE COUNCIL SAID THEY DID NOT LOOK INTO IT ANYMORE AND IT WAS TABLED.

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**APRIL 12, 2011**

**PAGE 2 OF 4**

**PRE-MEETING 6:30 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

16. WE WERE CONTACTED BY THE AUDUBON SOCIETY TO PUT FOUR CHIMNEY SWIFT TOWERS ON BOROUGH PROPERTY. COPIED LETTER TO COUNCIL. AGREED 7/0

\*\*\*\*\*

EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM 7:45 TO 8:15 PERSONNEL & PROPERTY

\*\*\*\*\*

THE APRIL 12, REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 8:05 PM BY PRESIDENT JIM PORTER, THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE MEETING WAS BEING TAPED.

**ROLL CALL:** COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT – JIM PORTER, DON GILLESPIE, AL ATKINSON, JACK VARLEY, POLLY GRIMPE, JIM MACHAJEWSKI, EDWARD WIRKOWSKI

**OTHERS PRESENT:** SOLICITOR MIKE WITHEREL, ENGINEER-PHIL HERMAN  
MAYOR CINSKI

**ABSENT:** NONE

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL AND ALL BOROUGH OFFICIALS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 8, 2011 A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT THOSE MINUTES WITHOUT CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS, ADDITIONS OR OBJECTIONS.

**MOTION:** ED WIRKOWSKI  
**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 7/0

**SECOND:** DON GILLESPIE

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

*BOROUGH MANAGER WILL READ MONTHLY REPORTS:*

**REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTIONS FOR MONTH OF MARCH**

CURRENT	\$	4,354.01
DELINQUENT	\$	4,743.10
OTHER/TAX LICENSE	\$	8,438.19
COMMISSION PAID	\$	876.77

**WAGE TAX COLLECTIONS FOR MONTH OF MARCH**

CURRENT	\$	16,697.91
DELINQUENT	\$	4,475.54
COMMISSION COLLECTED	\$	223.77

<b><u>DISTRICT JUSTICE FEE FOR MARCH</u></b>	\$	4,832.57
--	----	----------

<b><u>ANIMAL CONTROL FEE FOR MARCH</u></b>	\$	315.00
--	----	--------

A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT ALL REPORTS AS READ

**MOTION:** AL ATKINSON  
**ROLL CALL VOTE** 7/0

**SECOND:** DON GILLESPIE

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCE** (JIM PORTER): NONE

**PUBLIC SAFETY** (JIM PORTER): MAYOR WILL GIVE REPORT

**HANDICAP COMMITTEE** (DON GILLESPIE): ONE APPLICATION PENDING

**RECREATION COMMITTEE** (AL ATKINSON) EASTER EGG HUNT, BIG YARD SALE MAY 14 AND BREW FEST TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE MAY 1

**PENSION** (AL ATKINSON): NO CHANGE

**BOROUGH/PUBLIC PROPERTY & PERSONNEL** – (DON GILLESPIE): TORE DOWN FOUR HOUSES DUE TO AN EMERGENCY

**PUBLIC WORKS** (JIM PORTER) ROAD CREW ADDED MORE URINALS AND TOILETS IN RESTROOMS AT RIVERFRONT PAVILION

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**APRIL 12, 2011**

**PAGE 3 OF 4**

**PRE-MEETING 6:30 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

**ABANDONED PROPERTIES (POLLY GRIMPE) HAS BEEN WORKING WITH PITT. THEY HAVE A PROGRAM CALLED PNCIS WHO HAVE DEVELOPED A DATA BASE THAT IS GOING TO HELP US WITH THE VACANT PROPERTY PROGRAM**

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**ORDINANCES:**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AN EQUIPMENT SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF RESERVE, AND PROVIDING FOR THE OWNERSHIP AND SHARED COSTS OF PURCHASING AND MAINTAINING THE EQUIPMENT.**

**MOTION: JIM MACHAJEWSKI  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0**

**SECOND: ED WIRKOWSKI**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE APPOINTING JEFF STALZYNSKI AS A MEMBER TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS STARTING APRIL 12, 2011 THRU APRIL 11, 2017.**

**MOTION: POLLY GRIMPE  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0**

**SECOND: AL ATKINSON**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE REAPPOINTING KIM DEMBOWSKI AS A MEMBER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS STARTING MAY 10, 2011 THRU MAY 9, 2017.**

**MOTION; DON GILLESPIE  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0**

**SECOND: POLLY GRIMPE**

**A CONCURRING RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE CONFIRMING THE APPLICANT HAS FORMALLY REQUESTED A GRANT, HAS DESIGNATED AN OFFICIAL TO PERFORM THE REQUIRED DUTIES BETWEEN THE APPLICANT AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY WHEREAS THE BOROUGH IS DESIROUS OF OBTAINING FUNDS FROM RAAC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00 FOR THE STANTON AVENUE STORM IMPROVEMENTS.**

**MOTION; DON GILLESPIE  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0**

**SECOND: POLLY GRIMPE**

**A CONCURRING RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE CONFIRMING THE APPLICANT HAS FORMALLY REQUESTED A GRANT, HAS DESIGNATED AN OFFICIAL TO PERFORM THE REQUIRED DUTIES BETWEEN THE APPLICANT AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY WHEREAS THE BOROUGH IS DESIROUS OF OBTAINING FUNDS FROM RAAC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00 FOR THE NORTH AVENUE ROADWAY AND SIDEWALK REPAIR.**

**MOTION: JIM MACHAJEWSKI  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0**

**SECOND: ED WIRKOWSKI**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE CREATING A TOBACCO FREE PLAYGROUNDS AT MCCARTHY PARK AND THE PLAYGROUND AT THE MILLVALE BALL FIELD.**

**MOTION: DON GILLESPIE  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0**

**SECOND: POLLY GRIMPE**

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**APRIL 12, 2011**

**PAGE 4 OF 4**

**PRE-MEETING 6:30 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT: MARCH 2011**

1. NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM
  - 10 DEMOLITIONS - LUTTERMAN EXCAVATING, COMPLETE
  - FENCING AND GUIDE RAIL TO BE INSTALLED
2. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURES AND TOURISM FUND ROUND 2
  - APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ONLY FROM MARCH 1 TO APRIL 29, 2011  
CONCURRING RESOLUTIONS REQUIRED  
APPLICATIONS TO INCLUDE:  
STANTON AVENUE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION  
NORTH AVENUE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION
3. CD YEAR 36
  - EMERGENCY WALL REPAIR: COMPLETE. BACKFILL OF CURB REMAINS INCOMPLETE
4. CD YEAR 37
  - FULL-APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED, PROJECTS INCLUDE:  
DEMOLITIONS: 100 LIPPERT, 108 MARYLAND AND 243 SIEGEL APPROVED
  - STAGE AT GAPP PARK FUNDING APPROVED  
AWAITING NOTICE TO PROCEED
5. NBIS BRIDGE INSPECTIONS
  - SOLICITATION COMPLETE
  - STATEMENT OF INTEREST SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL
6. EVERGREEN AVENUE DEMOLITION
  - LUTTERMAN EXCAVATING \$12,000.00 PROPOSAL ACCEPTED. BUILDING DOWN. DEBRIS REMOVAL TO BE COMPLETED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** GAVE HIS REPORT DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE TOTAL CHECKS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,132.57 AND THE CURRENT INVOICES UP TO TODAY'S DATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,298.35 A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO PAY ALL INVOICES WHEN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

MOTION: AL ATKINSON  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: JIM MACHAJEWSKI

**MAYOR'S REPORT- THE POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 458 CALLS OR DETAILS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH. 51 TRAFFIC OR NON TRAFFIC CITATIONS, 16 ARRESTS FOR FELONIES OR MISDEMEANORS. 5 WRITTEN WARNINGS FOR DOG ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS, 3 LETTERS WERE WRITTEN TO NUISANCE LANDLORDS. THE MAYOR COMMENDED THE POLICE, FIRE POLICE, FIREMEN AND BORO WORKERS ON THE HANDLING OF THE EMERGENCY INVOLVING THE DEMOLITION PROPERTIES.**

**FIRE DEPT REPORT- JIM MACHAJEWSKI –THE FIRE DEPT HAD 23 CALLS IN MARCH THEY HAD 11 STRUCTURE FIRES 4 ETNA, 1 SHALER, 4 SHARPSBURG, 1 RESERVE AND 1 ROSS, 4 CONTAINMENTS, 2 FIRE ALARMS, 4 GAS CONDITION 1 WIRES DOWN AND 1 STAND BY SHALER**

A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT WAS REQUESTED:

MOTION: DON GILLESPIE  
VOICE VOTE 7/0

SECOND: AL ATKINSON

TIME: 8:20

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

VIRGINIA N. PUCCI, BOROUGH MANAGER

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 12, 2011  
PAGE 5 OF 4  
PRE-MEETING 6:30 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**